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Foreword

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1) clarified ambiguous and unclear issues between the two parts (requirements for the transport incubator system interface conditions and system requirements, respectively);

2) proposed items in order to improve fixation, interchangeability and interoperability of the transport incubator system when transported in hospitals and between hospitals using different ambulances and air crafts;

3) adapted the standard to developments in neonatal intensive care;

4) excluded proposals on standards for stretchers, vehicles or medical devices.

EN 13976 consists of the following parts, under the general title: *Rescue systems — Transportation of incubators*:

— *Part 1: Interface conditions*

— *Part 2: System requirements.*

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Introduction

This European Standard gives the requirements for a transport incubator system that will ensure its interchangeability as well as its safe and effective function in different vehicles or crafts. Such systems are essential in allowing the uninterrupted care of patients. Requirements for interface conditions are given in part 1 (EN 13976-1).